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SERIAL NO: 10/771,549 :  
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FOR: A MOBILE STATION CAPABLE :  
OF AND A METHOD FOR GENERATING  
CHIP PATTERNS FOR TRANSMISSION

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowability of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reason for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance of January 24, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits the following comments.

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance on pages 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowance mailed January 24, 2008, paragraph 2 states in part:

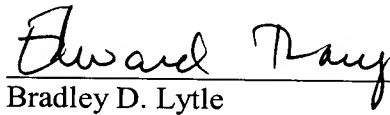
None of the prior art discloses a mobile station for wireless transmitting to a base station by DSCDMA a signal which is spread by multiplying a spreading code, comprising: a transmission timing control unit which controls transmitting timings of transmitting signals so that timings of receiving at the base station from respective mobile stations coincide; and a timing control switching unit which, when receiving a set of controlling information indicating a cell environment, selects, based on said cell environment, one of the low-precision timing control unit and a high-precision transmission control unit which controls transmitting timings of transmitting signals so that

a time difference at the base station among timings of receiving from the mobile station approaches zero, wherein the transmission timing control unit comprises a low-precision timing control unit which controls the transmitting timings of the transmitting signals so as to contain time differences among the timings of receiving at the base station from the respective mobile stations, as recited in claims 1, 20, and 21.

Although the above comment may be accurate with respect to Claim 1, it is respectfully noted that neither of Claims 20 and 21 recites any of the above quoted elements. For example, Claim 20 recites "a timing control switching function" and Claim 21 recites "a timing control switching step." Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the above-quoted statement applies at most to Claim 1 (and claims dependent therefrom) and does not apply to Claims 20 and 21 (or any claims dependent therefrom).

Respectfully submitted,

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